

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
POWER  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1514  
ANSWERED ON:11.12.2003  
POWER GENERATION  
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated for providing assistance to Bihar in the fields of power;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of the schemes formulated for power generation in Bihar;
- (d) whether the State Government has submitted any proposal to the Union Government for modernization and renovation of Kanti Thermal Power Station and Barauni Thermal Power Station and also for expansion of Kanti Thermal Power Station;
- (e) if so, whether the Planning Commission has accorded sanction to the above proposal;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the time by which these schemes are likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER( SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA )

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. Government has approved a proposal for improvement of sub- transmission system at an estimated cost of Rs.365 crores. The scheme is to be implemented by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. and handed over to Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) after completion.

Besides, release of funds to Bihar for rural electrification under different schemes is shown in table below :

(Rs. in crores)

Name of Programme	2002-03	2003-04
Prime Minister`s Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY)	12.08	24.1730

Minimum Need Programme	68.00	68.00
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(MNP)

Kutir Jyoti	9.91	12.44
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Total	89.99	104.6130
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(c) : No capacity addition has been envisaged in the State Sector in Bihar during X Plan.

(d) to (g) : Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) has requested in November, 2003 for funding under AG&SP scheme for RM&LE of Unit 4,5,6&7 of Barauni Thermal Power Station. The total cost of the scheme is Rs.421.00 crores. The proposal is at appraisal stage.

In respect of Muzaffarpur TPS efforts are on to hand over the units to NTPC for O&M on Long Term Lease basis.